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FLAVELLE ANSWERS HIMSELF

Mr. J. W. Flavelle, addressing the Canadian Club of Toronto this week, said:

"This country does not know that it is at war. This country is drunk with prosperity. This country has lost the capacity to develop moral earnestness."

Mr. Flavelle very sharply criticized those who are censorious or fault-finding, remarking that it is very easy to cultivate the spirit of anger against profitters and governments.

"Why," he asked, "should they expect that the call will come through some government circle?"

In other words, everybody should respond whether the government did anything or not. And yet, in the same speech, Mr. Flavelle declared that in three months time in England everybody would be doing what they were told to do.

"They will be eating the food, both as to type and quality, that they are told to eat. Manufacturers will be told to stop making certain articles that are not needed, and store keepers will be told to stop trading in articles that are not needed."

Told by whom? By a government which is big enough and bold enough to give the kind of leadership the country needs. Mr. Flavelle has answered himself. It is true that this is not a time to be censorious or fault-finding.

But if the people were given leadership there would be no ground for complaint, and everybody would hear and respond to the call, as they are about to do in England. This country is not so "drunk with prosperity" that it will not follow a leader who has a programme and the courage to demand that it be carried out.

MacLEAN AND NICKEL The straight-line torques of South York are worried over the attitude of Mr. W. F. MacLean, M.P., on the nickel question. He has been very outspoken, and is not convinced that the government has done all in its power to prevent Germany from getting Canadian nickel.

At the annual meeting of the South York Conservative Association last week, Mr. MacLean was sharply criticized, but stood his ground. A report of his speech says:

"Mr. MacLean said that when he was nominated five years ago he had asserted that he reserved the right to judge for himself what position he would take with respect to great public questions. He had contended that the nickel question should be controlled in Canada, and that the nickel should not be sent out of the country to be refined by workmen elsewhere."

LIGHTER VEIN

A judge who used to wear very long waving hair and a heavy beard, one day was on his way to court when he was accosted by a little street boy-black, with an exceedingly dirty face, with the customary "shine, sir!" He was very importunate, and the judge, being impressed with the terrible state of the boy's face, said:

"All right, sir." "Well, let me see you do it." The boy went to a neighboring fountain and made his ablutions.

Returning, he held out his hand for the sixpence. The judge said: "Well, you earned your money. Here it is." But the boy said: "I don't want your money, old fellow. You can take it and have your hair cut, and forthwith scampered off."

Metropolitan church is an assurance that all who set apart the evening will have an opportunity of hearing the leading speakers. The purpose of the meeting is not political in a party sense, but national, and it is part of a campaign to strengthen and direct the impulse toward national service.

In this there is no party division. Premier Hearst, Hon. A. E. Kemp, Archbishop Gody, Mr. Fred Fairies, M.P., representing the Liberal party, and Mr. R. B. Bennett are announced to address the meetings. Liberals and Conservatives can unite in all such demonstrations for patriotic co-operation.

Another step was taken in Toronto this week when the city council decided to apply for permissive legislation in connection with the proposal to construct an institution for feeble-minded children. The motion introduced by Mayor Church and adopted after considerable discussion, reads, in part, as follows:

"It is recommended that the city apply for permissive legislation (1) to permit the city to issue debentures, without the assent of the ratepayers, for \$100,000 for the erection of buildings and equipment for the care of the feeble-minded; and (2) to amend the industrial farms act to allow the use of portions of the industrial farm as sites for these institutions."

President Wilson's latest diplomatic move has not enhanced his reputation. The Entente Allies are not at all moved by his peace note, except to be amazed that it should be sent to them at this time. The Liverpool Post suggests that possibly he desired to elicit from Germany concrete terms of peace, in which case a useful purpose might be served; but it is quite evident he had no such intention.

As the executive head of the greatest of the neutral nations, in a struggle where neutrality means indifference to principles vital to the welfare of humanity, President Wilson has been many times tried and found wanting in that stern and purposeful courage which marked the career of Abraham Lincoln.

President Wilson's Christmas greeting to the Belgian people will not comfort them. In effect, he tells them their present plight is due to the yearning desire of Germany to protect their rights and make them happy.

The refusal of liquor advertisements by more of the leading newspapers of Ontario shows the unmistakable trend of public sentiment with regard to the traffic.

The arming of merchantmen for defence against submarines will probably save some of them, and may also occasionally account for the loss of a submarine.

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The regent of Brunswick Chapter has received a communication from Colonel McLaren, referring to the Admission and Discharge but at No. 1 Canadian General Hospital, England, which is the latest addition to the New Brunswick ward. The communication states that the hut for the hospital has been erected at a cost of \$472.10 with funds supplied by the people of New Brunswick. This information was sent to Colonel McLaren by Colonel Wyld, the O.C. of the hospital.

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are steadily advancing and that he believes that this is the beginning of the end and that in a few years should see victory for the allies. He thanks the Soldiers' Comfort Club of Magee's Bay for the comforts sent to him and adds that it is the remembrances and kindness from friends at home that help to keep the soldiers' spirits up.

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